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Mr. T. Leverett Nelson
U. S. Environmental Protection
Agency, Region V.
230 South Dearborn Street
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Re: North Bronson Industrial Area
Bronson, Michigan
5HE-12

Dear Mr. Nelson:

In accordance with our latest conferences with you, we have now contacted Mr. Elmer Houghton regarding certain files of the old Bronson Specialties, Inc., which belong to him but which continue to be stored at what is now the Bronson Precision Products premises in Bronson, Michigan. With Mr. Houghton's approval and with him in attendance we have reviewed such files to determine their contents.

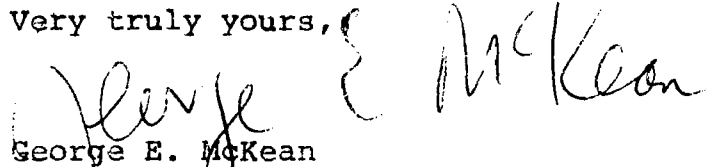
The result of such review was that we determined that the machinery and equipment used by the Bronson Reel Division of the old Bronson Specialties, Inc., was sold to True Temper Corporation in 1968. Further, such files indicate that the Fiberglass Division of the old Bronson Specialties, Inc., completed its contract with Pullman Corporation in 1977 and discontinued operation at that time. An inventory taken as of June 30, 1978, indicates that the machinery and equipment used by the Fiberglass Division of the old Bronson Specialties, Inc., had been disposed of. In that regard Mr. Houghton advised us that most of such machinery and equipment was owned by either Pullman Corporation or the New York Transit Authority and at the time the contract was completed such machinery and equipment was returned to them.

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In our opinion the above information is in accord with our earlier advice to you that none of the machinery and equipment, the use of which may have caused some of the problems in the North Bronson Industrial Area, was purchased by our client in connection with its asset purchase from the old Bronson Specialties, Inc., in 1979. If you have any further questions regarding the above matters, please contact us.

In all of the circumstances we do not plan to attend the Chicago meeting on June 25, 1986, but Mr. Sparrow or I would be available by telephone at that time.

Very truly yours,


George E. McKean

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